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INSTALLING SAME
Art Unit : 3738
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Sir:

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the above-identified patent application:

U.S. Patent Documents

US-2002/0183787 A1 12-05-2002 Wahr et al.

Foreign Patent Documents

WO 95/28885 A	11-02-1995	Sideris-Messini
DD 233,303 A1	02-26-1986	Munster et al.
DE 195 42 733	07-24-1997	Mandlier
FR 2,641,692	01-15-1990	Kamiya et al.

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show or describe various occlusion devices and systems for anatomizing blood vessels.

Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this patent application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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